Michigan Department of Treasury 496 (02/06) **Auditing Procedures Report**Issued under P.A. 2 of 1968, as amended and P.A. 71 of 1919, as amended

Loca	al Unit o	of Gov	ernment Type			Local Unit Name County					
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	al Year	End		Opinion Dat	te	•	Date Audit Report				
	Jun	e 30,	2006	Septem	ber 20, 20	006		De	ecember 26, 2006		
We af	firm that	:									
We ar	e certifie	ed publ	ic accountants I	icensed to prac	tice in Mich	igan.					
			following mater and recommend		ises have b	een discl	osed in the financial s	tatements	, including the notes	, or in the Management Letter	
	YES	9	Check each a	applicable box	below. (Se	ee instruc	ctions for further detail.	)			
1. All required component units/funds/agencies of the local unit are included in the financial statements and/or disclosed in the reporting entity notes to the financial statements as necessary.											
2.	$\boxtimes$			accumulated de				red fund b	alances/unrestricted	net assets (P.A. 275 of 1980)	
3.	$\boxtimes$		The local unit	is in compliance	e with the U	Jniform C	hart of Accounts issue	d by the D	Department of Treason	ury.	
4.	$\boxtimes$		The local unit	has adopted a	budget for a	all require	d funds.				
5.	$\boxtimes$		A public hearing	ng on the budge	et was held	in accord	dance with State statut	e.			
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10.			not been previ	iously communi	cated to the	e Local A				e course of our audit that have ctivity that has not been	
11.		$\boxtimes$	The local unit	is free of repea	ted comme	nts from	previous years.				
12.	$\boxtimes$		The audit opin	ion is UNQUAL	IFIED.						
13.	$\boxtimes$			has complied w		34 or GAS	SB 34 as modified by I	MCGAA S	tatement #7 and oth	er generally accepted	
14.	$\boxtimes$		The board or o	council approve	s all invoice	s prior to	payment as required	by charter	or statute.		
15.	$\boxtimes$		To our knowle	dge, bank reco	nciliations th	hat were	reviewed were perform	ned timely	<b>'</b> .		
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I, the	unders	igned,	certify that this s	statement is cor	mplete and	accurate	in all respects.				
We h	nave en	closed	the following:		Enclosed	Not	Required (enter a brie	f justification	on)		
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### **Crystal Township**

Montcalm County, Michigan

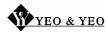
Annual Financial Statements and Auditors' Report June 30, 2006

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# Crystal Township List of Elected and Appointed Officials June 30, 2006

#### Township Board

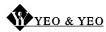
William Powell, Supervisor

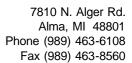
Nan Hagerman, Clerk

Paula Plank, Treasurer

John Hagerman, Trustee

Rich Chalmers, Trustee







#### **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Township Board Crystal Township

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Crystal Township as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the Government's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Government's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the discretely presented component unit, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Crystal Township as of June 30, 2006 and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated. September 20, 2006 on our consideration of the Crystal Township internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The managements' discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information identified in the table of contents are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Crystal Township's basic financial statements. The accompanying other supplemental information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

September 20, 2006

Yeo & Yeo, P.C.

Alma, Michigan

Our discussion and analysis of Crystal Townships financial performance provides an overview of the Township's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006. Please read it in conjunction with the Township's financial statements.

#### Financia | Highlights

As discussed in further detail in this discussion and analysis, the following represents the most significant financial highlights for the year ended June 30, 2006.

#### **Using this Annual Report**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The statement of net assets and the statement of activities provide information about the activities of Crystal Township as a whole and present a longer-term of the Township's finances. This longer-term view uses the accrual basis of accounting so that it can measure the cost of providing services during the current year, and whether the taxpayers have funded the full cost of providing governmental services.

The fund financial statements present a short-term view; they tell us how the taxpayer's resources were spent during the year, as well as how much is available for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Township's operations in more detail than the government-wide financial statements by providing information about the Township's most significant funds. The fiduciary fund statements provide financial information about activities for which the Township acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside of the government.



#### The Crystal Township as a Whole

The following table shows, in a condensed format, the net assets as of the current date (in thousands of dollars):

	Governmental Activities 2006			siness-type Activities 2006	Total 2006	Total 2005
Assets Other assets Capital assets Total Assets	\$	350,006 493,527 843,533	\$	1,281,414 4,508,734 5,790,148	\$ 1,631,420 5,002,261 6,633,681	1,989,395 4,904,338 6,893,733
Current and long term liabilities Current liabilities Long term liabilities		26,542		67,251 996,000	93,793 <u>996,000</u>	121,418 
Total liabilities		26,542		1,063,251	1,089,793	1,193,418
Net Assets Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted Total net assets	<del></del>	493,527 - 323,464 816,991	<del></del>	3,491,734 21,000 1,214,163 4,726,897	3,985,261 21,000 1,537,627 \$ 5,543,888	3,812,338 10,800 1,877,177 \$ 5,700,315

Crystal Township's net assets of governmental activities are \$816,991 and \$4,726,897 for business type activities; of these amounts \$323,464 (governmental) and \$1,214,163 (business-type) are unrestricted assets.



		ernmental ctivities	siness-type Activities	 Total 2006	_	Total 2005
Revenue						
Program revenue						
Charges for services	\$	15,595	\$ 209,754	\$ 225,349		237,464
General revenue:						
Property taxes and special assessments		180,408	-	180,408		279,844
State-shared revenue		195,856	-	195,856		233,794
Interest		31,014	12,234	43,248		16,033
Other revenue		25,378	 845	 26,223	_	9,448
Total revenue		448,251	222,833	 671,084	_	776,583
Program expenses						
General government		136,745	-	136,745		139,481
Public safety		120,777	-	120,777		136,202
Public works		149,358	-	149,358		187,911
Recreation and culture		5,081	-	5,081		11,042
Sewer		-	300,251	300,251		313,482
Duck Lake		-	109,119	109,119		94,706
Other		-	-	-		27,530
Loss on sale of capital assets		3,714	 2,463	 6,177	_	
Total program expenses		415,675	411,833	827,508	_	910,354
Change in net assets		32,576	\$ (189,000)	\$ (156,424)	\$	(133,771)

#### **Governmental Activities**

Crystal Townships total governmental activity revenues were \$448,251. This reflects a decrease in State shared revenue of \$37,938 from the previous year.

Governmental activity expenditures of \$415,675 were recorded for the year.



The Townships capital assets increased by \$266,710 from June 30, 2005 to June 30, 2006. This increase is due to the purchase of a new fire truck, and a public works utility trailer.

#### **Business Type Activities**

The Township also provides municipal sanitary sewer to its residents.

The Townships long-term debt decreased by \$75,000 as of June 30, 2006. This decrease is due to the payments of the Duck Lake sanitary drain bonds series A and B.

#### **Crystal Townships Funds**

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds, not Crystal Township as a whole. The Township Board of Trustees creates funds to help manage money for specific purposes as well as show accountability for certain activities, Fire, Police, and Lighting Funds. Crystal Township's governmental major funds include General Fund and Fire Fund.

#### a) General Fund

Functions relating to the general governmental activities of the Township, which are financed by property tax levies, by distribution of State revenues from fees charged for various municipal activities and services are recorded in the General Fund. The day to day operation expenses for the Police, and Fire departments is also paid out of General Fund. Some revenues for these departments are collected in the Police and Fire Fund and then transferred to General fund to offset part of the expenses.

#### b) Fire Fund

The Fire Fund is funded through a special assessment approved by the residents. The Assessment collected in 2005-06 was \$72,074.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The Township is aware that the current board will need to monitor expenditures through out the year.



#### **Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates**

The Township Board is in agreement that the revenue sharing from the state will continue to decline due to the state's economic decline and manufacturers and industries relocating to other states. The Township Board will have to review further cuts if revenue sharing continues to drop at such considerable amounts.

#### **Contacting Crystal Townships Management**

This financial report is intended to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and Residents with a general overview of Crystal Township's finances and to show the Township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, we welcome you to contact the administration offices at Township hall.



#### Crystal Township Statement of Net Assets June 30, 2006

		Р	rimar	y Governmer	nt		
		rernmental activities		siness-type Activities		Total	nponent Unit
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	288,290	\$	379,693	\$	667,983	\$ 5,115
Receivables							
Customers		-		19,576		19,576	-
Special assessments		-		847,338		847,338	-
Accrued interest and other		-		3,284		3,284	-
Due from other units of government		64,639		-		64,639	-
Internal balances		(12,000)		12,000		-	-
Due from employees		1,719		-		1,719	-
Prepaid items		7,358		19,523		26,881	-
Capital assets, net		493,527		4,508,734		5,002,261	
Total assets		843,533		5,790,148	_	6,633,681	 5,115
Liabilities							
Checks written against future deposits		239		-		239	-
Accounts payable		17,843		20,100		37,943	-
Accrued and other liabilities		6,210		26,151		32,361	-
Deferred revenue		2,250		-		2,250	-
Noncurrent liabilities							
Due within one year		-		21,000		21,000	-
Due in more than one year				996,000		996,000	 
Total liabilities		26,542		1,063,251	_	1,089,793	
Net Assets							
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		493,527		3,491,734		3,985,261	-
Restricted for:							
Debt service		-		21,000		21,000	-
Unrestricted		323,464		1,214,163		1,537,627	5,115
Total net assets	<u>\$</u>	816,991	\$	4,726,897	\$	5,543,888	\$ 5,115

## Crystal Township Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

		Р	rogram Revenu	ies					
			Operating	Capital	Pri	Changes in Ni imary Government			
	Expenses			Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total	Component Unit	
Functions/Programs Primary government Governmental activities	Ф 400.74F	Φ 7.505	r.	¢.	(400.450)	r.	Ф (420.4E0)	¢.	
General government Public safety	\$ 136,745 120,777	\$ 7,595 8,000	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ (129,150) (112,777)	\$ - -	\$ (129,150) (112,777)	\$ - -	
Public works Recreation and culture	149,358 5,080			<u>-</u>	(149,358) (5,080)		(149,358) (5,080)		
Total governmental activities	411,961	15,595			(396,366)		(396,366)		
Business-type activities Sewer Duck lake sewer	300,251 109,119	173,115 36,639		<u>-</u>		(127,136) (72,480)	(127,136) (72,480)	<u>.</u>	
Total business-type activities	409,370	209,754		_		(199,616)	(199,616)		
Total primary government	\$ 821,331	\$ 225,349	\$ -	\$ -	(396,366)	(199,616)	(595,982)		
Component unit	_								
Downtown Development Authority	\$ - General rever	<u>\$</u> -	\$ 300	\$ -				300	
		180,408 195,856 31,014 (3,714) 	12,234 (2,463) 845	180,408 195,856 43,248 (6,177) 26,223	852 - 49 - 				
		428,942	10,616	439,558	901				
	Change in ne	t assets			32,576	(189,000)	(156,424)	1,201	
	Net assets - b	peginning of ye	ear		784,415	4,915,897	5,700,312	3,914	
	Net assets - end of year						\$ 5,543,888	\$ 5,115	



#### Crystal Township Governmental Funds Balance Sheet June 30, 2006

							Nonmajor Governmental		Go	Total overnmental
		<u>General</u>		Fire		Police		Funds		Funds
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Due from other units of government Due from other funds Due from employees Prepaid items	\$	112,807 64,639 - 1,719 7,358	\$	41,122 - - - -	\$	122,505 - - - - -	\$	11,856 - 1,341 - -	\$	288,290 64,639 1,341 1,719 7,358
Total assets	\$	186,523	\$	41,122	<u>\$</u>	122,505	\$	13,197	\$	363,347
Liabilities Checks written against future deposits Accounts payable Accrued and other liabilities Due to other funds Deferred revenue Total liabilities	\$	10,404 6,210 13,014 2,250 31,878	\$	- - - - -	_	5,417 - - - - 5,417	\$	239 2,022 - 327 - 2,588	\$	239 17,843 6,210 13,341 2,250 39,883
Fund Balances Unreserved Designated for: Improvements Unreserved, reported in: General fund Special revenue funds		55,117 99,528 -		- - 41,122		- - 117,088		- - 10,609		55,117 99,528 168,819
Total fund balances		154,645		41,122	_	117,088		10,609		323,464
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	186,523	\$	41,122	\$	122,505	\$	13,197	\$	363,347



#### Crystal Township Governmental Funds

### Governmental Funds Reconciliation of Fund Balances of Governmental Funds

## to Net Assets of Governmental Activities June 30, 2006

Total fund balances for governmental funds	\$ 323,464
Total net assets for governmental activities in the statement of net assets is different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	 493,527
Net assets of governmental activities	\$ 816,991

# Crystal Township Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

				Special Revenue Funds				Nonmajor		Total	
	_ G	General		Fire		Police	Governmental Funds		Go	vernmental Funds	
Revenues			_		_		_		_		
Taxes	\$	83,739	\$	72,074	\$	-	\$	-	\$	155,813	
Special assessments		-		-				24,595		24,595	
State revenue sharing		195,856		-		-		-		195,856	
Other state grants		-		-		2,648		-		2,648	
Charges for services		14,920		-		-		-		14,920	
Fines and forfeitures		-		-		208		-		208	
Interest income		29,664		675		675		-		31,014	
Rental income		175		-		-		-		175	
Other revenue		17,322								17,322	
Total revenues		341,676		72,749		3,531		24,595		442,551	

# Crystal Township Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

			Special Revenue Funds			e Funds		Nonmajor	_	Total
	General			Fire	Police		G(	overnmental Funds	- G	overnmental Funds
Expenditures										
Current			_		_					
General government	\$	120,559	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	120,559
Public safety		27,539		-		66,901		-		94,440
Public works		97,102		-		-		25,337		122,439
Recreation and culture		4,639		-		-		-		4,639
Other functions		32,554		-		-		-		32,554
Capital outlay		16,654		247,211		-				263,865
Total averageditures		299,047		247,211		66,901		25,337		638,496
Total expenditures		299,041		241,211		00,901		25,557		030,490
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		42,629		(174,462)		(63,370)		(742)		(195,945)
Other financing sources										
Sale of fixed assets		5,700						-		5,700
Net change in fund balance		48,329		(174,462)		(63,370)		(742)		(190,245)
Fund balance - beginning of year		106,316		215,584		180,458		11,351		513,709
Fund balance - end of year	\$	154,645	\$	41,122	\$	117,088	\$	10,609	\$	323,464

### **Crystal Township Governmental Funds**

## Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

Net change in fund balances - Total governmental funds	\$ (190,245)
Total change in net assets reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities is different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense.	
Depreciation expense	(40,175)
Capital outlay	266,710
Sale of capital assets	(3,714)

Change in net assets of governmental activities

32,576

#### Crystal Township Proprietary Funds Statement of Net Assets June 30, 2006

	Enterprise Funds					
		Sewer		Duck Lake	_	Total
Assets						
Current assets	•	400.074	•	400.000	•	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	186,854	\$	192,839	\$	379,693
Receivables Customers		15,984		3,592		19,576
Special assessments, current		15,964		847,338		847,338
Accrued interest and other		3,284		-		3,284
Due from other funds		16,294		_		16,294
Prepaid items		19,523		-		19,523
Total current assets		241,939		1,043,769		1,285,708
Total current assets		241,000	_	1,040,700	_	1,200,700
Noncurrent assets						
Capital assets, net		2,215,461		2,293,273		4,508,734
Total assets		2,457,400		3,337,042		5,794,442
Total assets	_	2,437,400	_	3,337,042	_	3,794,442
Liabilities						
Current liabilities						
Accounts payable		20,100		-		20,100
Accrued and other liabilities		10,612		15,539		26,151
Due to other funds		-		4,294		4,294
Current portion of noncurrent liabilities		-		21,000	_	21,000
Total current liabilities		30,712		40,833		71,545
		,				<u> </u>
Noncurrent liabilities						
Long-term debt net of current portion		-	_	996,000	_	996,000
Total liabilities		30,712		1,036,833		1,067,545
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Net Assets						
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		2,215,461		1,276,273		3,491,734
Restricted for:						
Debt service		-		21,000		21,000
Unrestricted		211,227	_	1,002,936	_	1,214,163
Total net assets	\$	2,426,688	\$	2,300,209	\$	4,726,897

# Crystal Township Proprietary Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Assets For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

		Enterprise Funds			
	Sewer	Duck_Lake	Total		
Operating revenue					
Customer fees	\$ 165,455	\$ 35,684	\$ 201,139		
Connection fees	7,660	-	7,660		
Rental income	-	725	725		
Other revenue	<del>-</del>	1,075	1,075		
Total operating revenue	173,115	37,484	210,599		
Operating expenses					
Personnel services	72,720	14,094	86,814		
Supplies	16,163	2,052	18,215		
Contractual services	2,453	-	2,453		
Utilities	12,690	1,050	13,740		
Repairs and maintenance	35,902	1,699	37,601		
Other expenses	40,284	5,795	46,079		
Depreciation	120,039	60,071	180,110		
Total operating expenses	300,251	84,761	385,012		
Operating loss	(127,136)	(47,277)	(174,413)		
Nonoperating revenue (expenses)					
Interest income	8,598	3,636	12,234		
Loss on disposal of assets	(2,463)		(2,463)		
Interest expense		(24,358)	(24,358)		
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	6,135	(20,722)	(14,587)		
Change in net assets	(121,001)	(67,999)	(189,000)		
Net assets - beginning of year	2,547,689	2,368,208	4,915,897		
Net assets - end of year	\$ 2,426,688	\$ 2,300,209	\$ 4,726,897		

# Crystal Township Proprietary Funds Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds			se Funds		
		Sewer	_Dι	ıck Lake		Total
Cash flows from operating activities						
Receipts from customers	\$	171,129	\$	37,920	\$	209,049
Receipts from other funds		(16,294)		-		(16,294)
Payments to other funds		-		4,294		4,294
Payments to suppliers		(93,297)		(10,788)		(104,085)
Payments to employees		(72,720)		(14,094)		(86,814)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		(11,182)		17,332	_	6,150
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities						
Proceeds from special assessments		-		111,503		111,503
Purchases/construction of capital assets		(54,061)		(15,614)		(69,675)
Principal and interest paid on long-term debt		-		(99,358)		(99,358)
Proceeds from sale of capital assets		12,000		-		12,000
Net cash used by capital and related financing activities		(42,061)		(3,469)		(45,530)
Cash flows from investing activities						
Interest received		8,598		3,636		12,234
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(44,645)		17,499		(27,146)
Cash and cash equivalents - beginning of year	_	231,499		175,340		406,839
Cash and cash equivalents - end of year	\$	186,854	\$	192,839	\$	379,693

# Crystal Township Proprietary Funds Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

	<u></u>	Business-type Activities - Enterprise Funds				
		Sewer Duck Lak		Duck LakeTo		
Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash provided (used) by operating activities						
Operating loss	\$	(127, 136)	\$ (47,277)	\$	(174,413)	
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash		, ,	,		,	
from operating activities						
Depreciation and amortization expense		120,039	60,071		180,110	
Changes in assets and liabilities		•			•	
Receivables (net)		(1,986)	436		(1,550)	
Due from other funds		(16,294)	-		(16,294)	
Prepaid items		(225)	-		(225)	
Accounts payable		20,100 <sup>°</sup>	-		20,100	
Accrued and other liabilities		(5,680)	(192)		(5,872)	
Due to other funds	_	- '-	4,294		4,294	
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	(11,182)	\$ 17,332	\$	6,150	

#### Crystal Township

#### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2006

#### **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

#### Reporting entity

Crystal Township is governed by an elected five-member Board. The accompanying financial statements present the government and its component units, entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. Although blended component units are legal separate entities, in substance, they are part of the government's operations. The discretely presented component unit is reported in a separate column in the government-wide financial statements to emphasize that it is legally separate from the government (see discussion below for description).

Discretely Presented Component Units – The component unit column in the entity wide financial statements include the financial data of the Government's Downtown Development Authority. This unit is reported in a separate column to emphasize that it is legally separate from the Government. The members of the Governing Board of the Downtown Development Authority are appointed by the Township Board. The budgets and expenditures of the Downtown Development Authority must be approved by the Township Board. The Government also has the ability to significantly influence operations of the Downtown Development Authority. The Downtown Development Authority does not issue any other form of financial statements except as contained in the Crystal Township annual financial statements.

#### Government -wide and fund financial statements

The government -wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. *Government activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant

extent on fees and charges for support. Likewise, the *primary* government is reported separately from certain legally separate component units for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segments are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.



## Crystal Township Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2006

### Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, licenses, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only the portion of special assessments receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The Fire Fund accounts for property taxes and other revenue that is restricted for providing fire protection.

The Police Fund accounts for property taxes and other revenue that is restricted for providing police protection.

The government reports the following major proprietary funds:

The Sewer Fund accounts for the activities of the sewage collection system.

The Duck Lake Fund accounts for the activities of the Duck Lake sewer distribution system.

Additionally, the government reports the following:

The nonmajor special revenue funds account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative requirements.



### Crystal Township Notes to Financial Statements

### Notes to Financial Statement June 30, 2006

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the *option* of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The government has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

As a general rule the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are payments-in-lieu of taxes where the amounts are reasonably equivalent in value to the interfund services provided and other charges between the government's water and sewer function and various other functions of the government. Elimination of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include all taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *nonoperating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the sewer fund are charges to customers for sales and services. The government also recognizes as operating revenue the portion of tap fees intended to recover the cost of connecting new customers to the system. Operating expenses for the sewer fund include the cost of sales and services,

administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

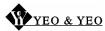
When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### Assets, liabilities, and net assets or equity

Deposits – Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when acquired. Certificate of deposits are stated at cost which approximates fair value.

Receivables and payables — In general, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds." Activity between funds that is representative of lending/borrowing arrangement outstanding at the end of the fiscal year is referred to as "advances to/from other funds." Any residual balances outstanding between the governmental activities and the business-type activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances."

All trade and property tax receivables are shown as net of allowance for uncollectible amounts. Property taxes are levied on each July 1<sup>st</sup> on the taxable valuation of property as of the preceding December 31<sup>st</sup>. Taxes are considered delinquent on March 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year, at which time penalties and interest are assessed.



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#### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2006

The 2005 taxable valuation of the government totaled \$76,904,925, on which ad valorem taxes consisted of 0.7596 mills for operating purposes. This resulted in \$58,417 for operating expenses, exclusive of any Michigan Tax Tribunal or Board of Review adjustments.

Prepaid items – Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future fiscal years and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

Capital assets – Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$500 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost, if purchased or constructed.

The reported value excludes normal maintenance and repairs which are essentially amounts spent in relation to capital assets that do not increase the capacity or efficiency of the item or extend its useful life beyond the original estimate. In the case of donations the government values these capital assets at the estimated fair value of the item at the date of its donation.

Property, plant and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Buildings and building improvements	15 to 60 years
Land improvements	10 to 20 years
Sewer lines	40 to 75 years
Vehicles	3 to 10 years
Office equipment computer equipment	5 to 7 years
Computer equipment	3 to 7 years

Long-term obligations – In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net assets.

Fund equity – In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purposes. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

#### Comparative data

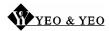
Comparative data is not included in the government's financial statements.

#### NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

#### **Budgetary information**

The government is subject to the budgetary control requirements of the Uniform Budgeting Act (P.A. 621 of 1978, as amended). Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for the General Fund and all Special Revenue Funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

Prior to June 1, the Township Supervisor submits to the Township Board a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. Public hearings are obtained to obtain taxpayer comments and the budget is legally enacted through passage of an ordinance prior to July 1.



#### Crystal Township

#### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2006

The budget document presents information by fund, activity, department, and line items. The legal level of budgetary control adopted by the governing body is the activity level. The Township Clerk is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between line items within an activity; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of an activity must be approved by the Township Board.

#### **Excess of expenditures over appropriations**

During the year ended June 30, 2006, the Township incurred expenditures in the General Fund and Fire Fund in excess of amounts appropriated as follows:

		Total	Α	mount		
<u>Fund</u>	<u>Apr</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>		<u>rpended</u>	V	<u>ariance</u>
General Fund						
Township board	\$	39,841	\$	43,488	\$	3,647
Clerk		12,990		13,636		646
Treasurer		13,540		14,167		627
Fire department		26,980		27,539		559
Department of public works		44,805		52,046		7,241
Insurance and bonds		28,950		32,554		3,604
Capital outlay		8,600		16,654		8,054
Fire Fund						
Capital outlay		209,620		247,211		37,591

#### **NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

At year end the government's deposits were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

	 h and Cash Juivalents
Governmental activities Business-type activities	\$ 288,290 379,693
Total primary government	667,983
Component unit	 5,115
Total	\$ 673,098

Interest rate risk — The government does not have a formal investment policy to manage its exposure to fair value losses from changes in interest rates

Credit risk — State statutes authorize the government to make deposits and invest in the accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions, and savings and loan associations which have an office in Michigan. The local unit is allowed to invest in bonds, securities and other obligations of the United States, or any agency or instrumentality of the United States. United States government or federal agency obligations; repurchase agreements; bankers acceptance of United States Banks; commercial paper rated within the two highest classifications which mature not more than 270 days after the date of purchase; obligations of the State of Michigan or any of its political subdivisions, which are rated as investment grade; and mutual funds composed of investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan. The



## Crystal Township Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2006

investment policy adopted by the government authorizes investment in bonds and securities of the United States government and bank accounts and certificates of deposit, but not the remainder of State statutory authority as listed above.

Concentration of credit risk – The government has no policy that would limit the amount that may be issued in any one issuer.

Custodial credit risk - deposits - In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The government does not have a policy for custodial credit risk. As of year end, \$ 548,692 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and uncollateralized.

#### NOTE 4 - RECEIVABLE S AND DEFERRED REVENUE

The only receivables not expected to be collected within one year are as follows:

	Due After One					
	Year Fund					
Primary government						
Special assessments	\$	763,886	Duck Lake			

Governmental funds report deferred revenue in connection with receivables for revenue that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with resources that have been received but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, the various components of deferred revenue are as follows:

	<u>Un</u>	<u>earned</u>
Primary government		
Other revenue	\$	2,250

#### **NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets activity of the primary government for the current year was as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Governmental activities Capital assets not being depreciated Land	\$ 18,897	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ -	\$ 18,897
Capital assets being depreciated Buildings, additions and improvements Machinery and equipment	255,531 335,743	- 266,710		255,531 576,453
Total capital assets being depreciated	591,274	266,710	26,000	831,984
Less accumulated depreciation for Buildings, additions and improvements Machinery and equipment	138,543 200,922	4,629 35,546	22,286	143,172 214,182
Total accumulated depreciation	339,465	40,175	22,286	357,354
Net capital assets being depreciated	251,809	226,535	3,714	474,630
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 270,706	\$ 226,535	\$ 3,714	\$ 493,527



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#### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2006

Business-type activities	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance
Capital assets not being depreciated Land	\$ 232,446	\$ -	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ 232,446
Capital assets being depreciated Land improvements Buildings, additions and improvements Machinery and equipment Sewer system Total capital assets being depreciated	974,518 300,000 1,281,490 5,016,521 7,572,529	1,487 3,677 48,897 15,614 69,675	23,454 ———————————————————————————————————	976,005 303,677 1,306,933 5,032,135 7,618,750
Less accumulated depreciation for Land improvements Buildings, additions and improvements Machinery and equipment Sewer system	645,618 198,750 894,346 1,432,629	24,437 7,546 35,374 112,753	- - 8,991 -	670,055 206,296 920,729 1,545,382
Total accumulated depreciation  Net capital assets being depreciated	3,171,343 4,401,186	180,110 (110,435)	8,991 14,463	3,342,462 4,276,288
Business-type capital assets, net	\$ 4,633,632	\$ (110,435)	\$ 14,463	\$ 4,508,734

Depreciation expense was charged to programs of the primary government as follows:

#### Governmental activities

General government Public safety Public works	\$ 4,713 16,911 <u>18,551</u>
Total governmental activities	40,175
Business-type activities	
Sewer	120,039
Water	60,071
Total business-type activities	<u> 180,110</u>
Total primary government	\$ 220,285

### NOTE 6 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLE, AND TRANSFERS

The composition of interfund balances is as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	<i></i>	Amount
Due from/to other funds			
Northwest TAC Lighting	Street Lighting Fund	\$	327
Street Lighting Fund	General Fund		1,014
Sewer Fund	General Fund		12,000
Sewer Fund	Duck Lake Fund		4,294
		\$	17,635

The outstanding balances between funds result mainly from the time lag between the dates that 1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, 2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and 3) payments between funds are made.



## Crystal Township Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2006

#### **NOTE 8 - LONG-TERM DEBT**

The government issues bonds to provide for the acquisition and construction of major capital projects. General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the government.

Long-term obligation activity is summarized as follows:

	Amou Issi		Maturity Date	Interest Rate Ranges	Principal Maturity Ranges	Beginning Balance	A	dditions	Re	eductions		Ending Balance	ue Within ne Year
Business-type activities													
Bonds and notes payable													
General obligation bonds													
Duck Lake Sanitary Drain Bonds Series A	\$ 8	14,000	3/1/2034	4.5%	\$15,000 - \$46,000	\$ 801,000	\$	-	\$	14,000	\$	787,000	\$ 15,000
Duck Lake Sanitary Drain Bonds Series B	33	37,000	3/1/2029	4.5%	\$6,000 - \$15,000	 291,000				61,000	_	230,000	 6,000
Total business-type activities						\$ 1,092,000	\$		\$	75,000	\$	1,017,000	\$ 21,000



## Crystal Township Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2006

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the above obligations are as follows:

Year Ending	Business-type Activites							
December 31,		Principal		Interest				
2007	\$	21,000	\$	45,765				
2008		21,000		44,820				
2009		23,000		43,875				
2010		24,000		42,840				
2011		24,000		41,760				
2012-2016		142,000		191,205				
2017-2021		176,000		156,285				
2022-2026		219,000		112,995				
2027-2031		272,000		60,435				
2032-2034	_	95,000		12,195				
	\$	1,017,000	\$	752,175				

#### **NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The government is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omissions and employee injuries (workers' compensation), as well as medical benefits provided to employees. The government has purchased commercial insurance for all claims. Settled claims relating to the commercial insurance have not exceeded the amount of insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### NOTE 11 - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT AND BENEFIT SYSTEMS

The Township has a qualified, contributory defined contribution pension plan covering all full time employees and elected officials. The Township contributes 6.2% of each employee's annual salary to the plan. All contributions are 100% vested. Pension expense charged to operations for the year ended June 30, 2006 was \$1,806,

which is for current service costs. There were no unfunded prior service costs.

The Township has a separate defined contribution plan covering all the employees of the Sewer Fund. The Township contributes 10% of each employee's annual salary to the plan. All contributions are 100% vested. Pension expense of the Sewer Fund for June 30, 2006 was \$7,036. The Township has no further liability to these plans.



# Crystal Township Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund

	Budgeted	l Am	ounts		O۱	Actual ver (Under) Final
	 <u>Daagetee</u> Driginal	7 (111	Final	Actual		Budget
Revenues	 					g
Taxes						
Property taxes	\$ 64,679	\$	64,679	\$ 58,304	\$	(6,375)
Other taxes	-		-	234		234
Administration fee	24,807		24,807	25,201		394
State revenue sharing	200,398		200,398	195,856		(4,542)
Charges for services	14,500		14,500	14,920		420
Interest income	6,004		6,004	29,664		23,660
Rental income	-		-	175		175
Other revenue	18,964		18,964	17,322		(1,642)
Sale of fixed assets	 -			 5,700		5,700
Total revenues	 329,352		329,352	347,376		18,024

## Crystal Township Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund

	Budgeted	Amounts		Actual Over (Under) Final
	Original	Final	Actual	Budget
Expenditures				
General government				
Township board	39,841	39,841	43,488	3,647
Supervisor	6,565	6,565	6,459	(106)
Clerk	12,990	12,990	13,636	646
Board of review	1,489	1,489	1,350	(139)
Treasurer	13,540	13,540	14,167	627
Assessor	32,080	32,080	30,143	(1,937)
Elections	1,000	1,000	609	(391)
Buildings and grounds	7,280	7,280	5,327	(1,953)
Cemetery	6,000	6,000	5,380	(620)
Total general government	120,785	120,785	120,559	(226)
Public safety				
Fire department	26,980	26,980	27,539	559
Public works				
Department of public works	44,805	44,805	52,046	7,241
Highways, streets and bridges	100,352	100,352	45,056	(55,296)
Total public works	145,157_	145,157	97,102	(48,055)

## Crystal Township Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund

	Budgeted A	\mounto		Actual Over (Under)
			A = ( = 1	Final
	Original	Final	Actual	Budget
Recreation and culture Library	4,880	4,880	4,639	(241)
Other functions				
Insurance and bonds	28,950	28,950	32,554	3,604
Capital outlay	8,600	8,600	16,654	8,054
Total expenditures	335,352	335,352	299,047	(36,305)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(6,000)	(6,000)	48,329	54,329
Fund balance - beginning of year	106,316	106,316	106,316	
Fund balance - end of year	<u>\$ 100,316</u> \$	100,316	\$ 154,645	\$ 54,329

# Crystal Township Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule Fire Fund

	Budgete	d An	nounts		Actual er (Under) Final
	 Original		Final	 Actual	Budget
Revenues Taxes Interest income	\$ 72,398	\$	72,398	\$ 72,074 675	\$ (324) 675
Total revenues	 72,398		72,398	72,749	 351
Expenditures Capital outlay	 209,620		209,620	 247,211	 37,591
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures	 (137,222)		(137,222)	 (174,462)	 (37,240)
Fund balance - beginning of year	 215,584		215,584	 215,584	 
Fund balance - end of year	\$ 78,362	\$	78,362	\$ 41,122	\$ (37,240)

# Crystal Township Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule Police Fund

		Budgete Original	d Am	ounts Final	Actual	Ove	Actual er (Under) Final Budget
Revenues	I IIIai		 Actual				
Other state grants Fines and forfeitures Interest income	\$	1,516 1,300 -	\$	1,516 1,300 -	\$ 2,648 208 675	\$	1,132 (1,092) 675
Total revenues		2,816		2,816	 3,531		715
Expenditures Current Public safety		75,700		75,700	66,901		(8,799)
Excess of revenues (deficiency) over expenditures		(72,884)		(72,884)	(63,370)		9,514
Fund balance - beginning of year		180,458		180,458	 180,458		
Fund balance - end of year	\$	107,574	\$	107,574	\$ 117,088	\$	9,514

# Crystal Township Other Supplemental Information Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds June 30, 2006

	Special F	Special Revenue Funds				
	Street Lights	Northwest TAC Lighting	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds			
Assets Cash and cash equivalents Due from other funds	\$ 11,85 1,0^-		\$ 11,856 1,341			
Total assets	\$ 12,83	<u>'0</u> \$ 327	\$ 13,197			
Liabilities Checks written against future deposits Accounts payable Due to other funds  Total liabilities	\$ - 1,99 32 2,32	27 -	\$ 239 2,022 327 2,588			
Fund Balances Unreserved Undesignated  Total fund balances	10,54 10,54		10,609 10,609			
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 12,87	<u>70</u> \$ 327	\$ 13,197			

## Crystal Township Other Supplemental Information

#### Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances **Nonmajor Governmental Funds**

	Special Re		
	Street Lights	Northwest TAC Lighting	Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds
Revenues Special assessments	\$ 24,268	\$ 327	\$ 24,595
Expenditures Current Public works	25,013	324	25,337
Net change in fund balance	(745)	3	(742)
Fund balance - beginning of year	11,294	57	11,351
Fund balance - end of year	<u>\$ 10,549</u>	\$ 60	\$ 10,609

# Crystal Township Other Supplemental Information Schedule of Indebtedness June 30, 2006

Description	Interest Rate	Date of Maturity	Amount of Annual Maturity	 nterest	Total
Business-type Activities  Duck Lake Sanitary Drain Bonds Series A  Duck Lake Sanitary Drain Bonds Series B	4.5% 4.5%	3/1/2034 3/1/2029	\$15,000 - \$46,000 \$6,000 - \$15,000	\$ 610,830 141,345 752,175	\$ 787,000 230,000 1,017,000





Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards

To the Township Board Crystal Township

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Crystal Township as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise Crystal Township's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 20, 2006. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Crystal Township's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Crystal Township 's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended for the information of Crystal Township, management and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

September 20, 2006

Yeo & Yeo, P.C.

Alma, Michigan





September 20, 2006

To the Members of the Township Board of Crystal Township

In planning and performing our audit of the basic financial statements of Crystal Township for the year ended June 30, 2006, we considered the Township's internal control structure for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure. As a result of the aforementioned study, we became aware of the following matters that are an opportunity for strengthening internal control and operating efficiency. The following summarizes our comments and suggestions regarding these matters. This letter does not affect our report dated September 20, 2006 on the financial statements of Crystal Township.

#### **CURRENT YEAR COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### CASH MANAGEMENT

During our internal control testing we noted that some of the credit card bills did not have supporting receipts attached for gas purchased by the fire and sewer departments. It is the Townships policy to retain all receipts and credit card slips and all documentation detailing the goods or services purchased need to be submitted to the Township Clerk. For the future, we recommend that all credit card transactions have supporting documentation attached to them and that all credit card receipts be turned in to the Township Clerk.

#### SEGREGATION OF DUTIES FOR THE TAX ACCOUNT

During inquiry with township employees regarding internal control procedures for cash disbursements, it was noted that the Treasurer conducts all activity in the tax account including writing all checks, signing and mailing the checks, and doing the bank reconciliation. In order to maintain a segregation of duties, we suggest that the Clerk or another check signatory mail the tax account checks after they are signed.

#### PRIOR COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### CASH MANAGEMENT

We inquired about the policies and procedures regarding segregation of duties during the audit. We noted that the treasurer and clerk receive and open the bank statements and also prepare the bank reconciliations. We recommend that the Supervisor receive all unopened bank statements every month to review the cleared check images and any transfers before the treasurer or clerk prepare the monthly bank reconciliations.

#### ACCOUNTING POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

Crystal Township's employees maintain segregation of duties as much as possible with limited staffing, however, no written established policies or procedures were available.

We suggest the Township document policies and procedures relating to accounting record keeping and financial decision making. The Michigan Department of Treasury's Local Government Audit and Finance Division has a manual titled *Uniform Accounting Procedures Manual* available to assist local units of government in preparation of such written procedures.

In addition, the Michigan Townships Association has information available to assist Officials in preparing and adopting policies and procedures for the Township.

We will review the status of these comments during our next audit engagement. We have already discussed these comments and suggestions with Township personnel, and we will be happy to discuss with you, at your convenience, any accounting or reporting issues for which you would like additional information or guidance. We are grateful for the opportunity to be of service to the Township and would appreciate any referrals or recommendations you might have for ways that we can improve our service to you.

Sincerely,

YEO & YEO, P.C. CPAs and Business Consultants

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